United States Court of Appeals

FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA CIRCUIT

No. 03-5063

September Term, 2002

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Elouise Pepion Cobell, et al., Appellees

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Gale A. Norton, as the Secretary of the Interior, et al.,
Appellants

Joseph S. Kieffer, III, Monitor and Alan Lee Balaran, Appellees

Consolidated with 03-5084, 03-5097

ORDER

Upon consideration of the parties' briefing proposal, it is

ORDERED, on the court's own motion, that the federal defendants appealing in their official capacities shall file a single opening brief not exceeding 10,000 words, and defendant Gale A. Norton appealing in her individual capacity may file an opening brief not exceeding 4,000 words. Plaintiff appellees shall file a single brief not exceeding 14,000 words. The federal defendants appealing in their official capacities shall file a single reply brief not exceeding 5,000 words, and defendant Norton appealing in her individual capacity may file a reply brief not exceeding 2,000 words.

The parties will be notified by separate order of the briefing schedule, oral argument date, and composition of the merits panel.

FOR THE COURT:

Mark J. Langer, Clerk

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